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SUBJECT: BULGARIAN REACTION TO SOVIET TRIALS

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1. TO DATE THERE HAS BEEN NO OFFICIAL PUBLIC REACTION TO LATEST SOVIET DISSIDENT TRIALS. REPORTAGE HAS CONSISTED OF TASS ITEMS WITH SOLE EXCEPTIONS OF COMMENTARIES BY MARIN MARINOV, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF BULGARIAN SUPREME COURT WHICH APPEARED IN JULY 17 ISSUE OF OTECHESTVAN FRONT (TEXT BEGINS PARA 2), AND BY POLITICAL COMMENTATOR YOAN MATEEV. WE ARE REPORTING FURTHER DETAILS BY SEPTEL.

2. BEGIN TEXT: QUOTE THE TRUTH CANNOT BE COVERED

THE MILITARY BODY OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE USSR HEARD THE CRIMINAL ACTION AGAINST A. FILATOV, AGENT OF THE INTELLIGENCE SERVICES OF THE IMPERIALIST COUNTRIES. THE CRIMINAL ACTION AGAINST A. SHCHARANSKY, TRIED BY THE SUPREME COURT OF THE RSFSR WAS ALSO CLOSED. THEY ARE SENTENCED FOR GRAVE AND DANGEROUS CRIMES AGAINST THE STATE -- SPYING AND TREASON. THE IMPOSED SENTENCES ARE JUST, CONVINCING AND COMPLETELY IN KEEPING WITH THE ACTIVITIES OF THOSE MEN,
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WHO HAVE VIOLATED ALL HUMAN, MORAL AND CIVIL MORNS AND LAWS.

THE DISTRICT COURT AT THE CITY OF KALUGA HEARD THE CRIMINAL ACTION AGAINST ALEKSANDUR GINZBURG, CHARGED WITH THE COMMITMENT OF CRIMES AGAINST THE STATE. WITH MONEY RECEIVED FROM ABROAD HE HAD FINANCED THE HOSTILE ACTIVITY OF CRIMINALS, PROFESSIONAL MURDERERS, FORMER MEMBERS OF GANGS AND COLLABORATORS OF THE GERMAN FASCISTS, WHO HAVE

PARTICIPATED IN MASS EXECUTIONS OF SOVIET CITIZENS.
GINZBURG HAS ALSO DISSEMINATED SLANDEROUS CLAIMS AGAINST
THE SOVIET STATE.

THE COURT PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE TRAITORS WERE HELD
UNDER COMPLETE OBSERVANCE OF THE DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES OF
THE SOCIALIST CRIMINAL LAW. THE DEFENDANTS WERE GIVEN
EFFECTIVE AND COMPLETE LEGAL GUARANTEES FOR DEFENSE.

FROM THE PRESENTED EVIDENCE AT THE TRIAL, IT WAS ESTAB-
LISHED, FOR THE THREE DEFENDANTS, THAT THEIR VIEWS AND
INTERESTS, THEIR ATTITUDE TOWARDS THE SOVIET SOCIETY HAVE
BEEN FORMED UNDER THE ACTIVE INFLUENCE OF THE IDEOLOGICAL
SUBVERSION OF THE IMPERIALIST COUNTRIES, INCLUDING THE
AGENTS OF THE FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE SERVICES.

THE COURT PROCEEDING UNMASKED THE CRIMES COMMITTED
BY THE DEFENDANTS, BUT THEY REVEALED ALSO THE CRIMINAL
ACTIVITIES OF CERTAIN CIRCLES IN THE WESTERN COUNTRIES.
THOSE SHADY CIRCLES ARE THE REAL INSTIGATORS AND ORGANIZERS
OF AN ENORMOUS ANTI-SOVIET SLANDEROUS CAMPAIGN
AIMED AGAINST THE OTHER SOCIALIST COUNTRIES AS WELL. THE
COURT PROCEEDINGS CLEARLY INDICATED THAT UNDER THE GUISE OF
"STRUGGLE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS" CERTAIN CIRCLES IN THE WEST ARE
TRYING NOT ONLY TO INTERFERE DIRECTLY IN THE INTERNAL
AFFAIRS OF THE SOVIET UNION, BUT ARE ALSO MAKING USE OF
RENEGADES OF THE SOVIET SOCIETY FOR COLLECTING SECRET AND
OTHER INFORMATION. SUCH CITIZENS, DUE TO IDEOLOGICAL INSTABILITY,
JOB-HUNTING, GREED, MORBID AMBITION AND OTHER NEGATIVE ACTIONS
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(DEEDS) YIELD EASILY TO IDEOLOGICAL BRAIN WASHING AND THE
OFFERED HIGH PAYMENT AND COMMIT THE GRAVEST CRIMES AGAINST
THE STATE.

THOSE CRIMINALS HAVE ENJOYED MOST WIDELY THE RIGHTS
GIVEN BY THE SOCIALIST COUNTRY, WITHOUT CONSIDERING THEM-
SELVES OBLIGED TO ABIDE BY ITS LAWS. SHCHARANSKY, FOR
INSTANCE, HAS RECEIVED HIGH SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY EDUCATION
FREE OF CHARGE. HE HAS BEEN APPOINTED TO A POSITION AT A
RESEARCH INSTITUTE IN KEEPING WITH HIS QUALIFICATION AND
PROFESSIONAL TRAINING. HE HAS HAD COMPLETE FREEDOM OF
WORSHIP, PROFESSING HIS JUDAIC RELIGIOUS VIEW OF LIFE.
HE HAS BEEN GIVEN ALL RIGHTS OF A SOVIET CITIZEN.

BUT OF WHAT PROTECTION OF "HUMAN RIGHTS" IT MAY BE
SPOKEN HERE, WHEN THE DEFENDANTS HAVE COMMITTED CRIMES,
COLLECTING INFORMATION WHICH REPRESENT A STATE SECRET AND
WHICH CONCERN VITALLY IMPORTANT SPHERES OF THE POLICY,
ECONOMY AND DEFENSE OF THE SOVIET COUNTRY, WHEN THEY HAVE
COMMITTED TREASON AND TREACHERY AGAINST THEIR COUNTRY.
SUCH ACTIONS ARE PUNISHED BY THE LEGISLATIONS OF THE
CAPITALIST COUNTRIES AS WELL. THE CRIMINAL CODE OF THE
USA, PARAGRAPH 792-798, THE UNIFIED MILITARY CRIMINAL LAW
OF THE USA, PARAGRAPH 906, AND THE BILL FOR DEVELOPMENT AND

CONTROL OF ATOMIC ENERGY OF 1954 OF THE USA, PARAGRAPH 224-227, STIPULATE FOR HEAVISET PUNISHMENTS, INCLUDDING CAPITAL PUNISHMENT, FOR COLLECTING OR SUPPLYING DEFENSE INFORMATION WITH THE VIEW OF AIDING A FOREIGN COUNTRY.

THE CHAMPIONS OF "PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS" QUITE DELIBERATELY FORGET THE MONSTROUS CRIMES COMMITTED AGAINST THE FIGHTERS FOR CIVIL RITHTS IN THEIR OUW COUNTRIES. HUNDREDS OF NEGROES, INDIANS AND WHITES ARE BEHIND THE BARS OR ARE SUBJECTED TO REPRESSIONS AND TERROR AT THE "FREE WORLD'S" CITADEL -- THE UNITED STATES JUST BECAUSE THEY HAVE RAISED THEIR VOICE AGAINST THE SOCIAL AND RACIAL INEQUALITY. EVEN OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON WERE FORCED TO ADMIT THAT. THE PERMANENT US REPRESENTATIVE AT THE UNO ANDREW YOUNG POINTED OUT, THAT "THE POLITICAL PRISONERS IN THE USA NUMBER HUNDREDS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AND PROBABLY THOUSANDS". THESE ADMISSIONS AS WELL AS THE REAL FACTS ON THE REALITY IN THE CAPITALIST COUNTRIES OPEN THE TRUTH TO THE WORLD. END QUOTE. END TEXT.
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